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1. BEGIN SUMMARY: IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL, THIS MESSAGE CONTAINS EMBASSY'S REVIEW OF CURRENT GOP CONTROLS ON EXPORTS. PAKISTAN CONTROLS EXPORTS IN FOUR WAYS (1) EMBARGOES, (2) RESERVING CERTAIN EXPORTS TO STATE TRADING AGENCIES, (3) EXPORT LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION, AND (4) EXPORT LEVIES. THE FIRST TWO CONTROL MECHANISM ARE USED PRIMARILY TO ASSURE THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY OF PAKISTAN OF ADEQUATE SUPPLIES OF LOCAL MATERIALS AND TO PROVIDE IN-COUNTRY CONSUMERS WITH CERTAIN BASIC COMMODITIES AT PRICES LOWER THAN THOSE PREVAILING IN THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET. EXPORT LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION CAN SERVE THE SAME PURPOSE AND IS ALSO USED TO MAINTAIN A WATCH ON ITEMS WHICH ARE NOT NOW BUT MAY SOME DAY BE SUBJECT TO STRICTER CONTROLS. THIS TOOL IS ALSO USED TO MAINTAIN GOP QUOTA COMMITMENTS UNDER TEXTILE AGREEMENTS AND FOR WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONS. EXPORT LEVIES HAVE A REVENUE FUNCTION, HELP MAINTAIN UNCLASSIFIED

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DOMESTIC PRICES LOWER THAN INTERNATIONAL, AND SYPHON

INTO THE GOVERNMENT "EXCESS PROFITS" WHEN THE GOP IS
CONTROLLING PRICES OF INPUTS UP THE LINE. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBARGOED ITEMS: ALL IMPORTED GOODS IN THEIR
ORIGINAL OR UNPROCESSED FORM.

- FERROUS AND NON-FERROUS METALS, EXCLUDING IRON AND
STEEL MANUFACTURED GOODS INCLUDING REROLLED AND WIRED PRODUCTS.
- EDIBLE OILS, ALL SORTS (INCLUDING) BUTTER OIL AND VEGETABLE GHEE)
AND OIL SEEDS EXCEPT CASTER SEEDS, POPPY SEEDS AND KAPOK SEEDS.
- JUTE SEDDS, SANN HEMP SEEDS AND ARTEMISIA SEEDS.
- PEPPER.
- SUGAR, GUR, KHANDSARI SUGAR AND JAGGERY POWDER.
- ANIMAL FAT.
- BEEF AND MUTTON, IN ALL FORMS, EXCLUDING COOKED AND
CANNED BEEF AND MEAT.
- EGGS LESS THAN 56 GRAMS WEIGHT EACH.
- PULSES AND BEANS, ALL SORTS (INCLUDING "BARYAN".
- HIDES AND SKINS, ALL SORTS (EXCEPT LAMB SKINS
GRADES I, II AND III).
- CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS.
- BLOOD MEALS, MEAT MEALS, CORN GLUTEN MEALS, CORN
GLUTEN FEED AND SESAME OIL CAKES.
- UNFINISHED AND SEMI-FINISHED HOCKEY STICKS AND BLADES.
- WET BLUE LEATHER MADE FROM COW HIDES AND COW CALF HIDES.
- POTATO SEEDS.
- BRAN AND FODDER, ALL SORT, EXCEPT OIL CAKES AND RI
RICE BRAN.
- BAMBOO AND TIMBER.
- CHARCOAL AND FIRE WOOD.
- COCONUTS AND COPRA.
- GRAIN, ALL SORTS, AND THEIR PRODUCTS EXCLUDING RICE
PRODUCTS, CORN FLAKES, MAIZE AND BARLEYV
- LIVE ANIMALS OF ALL SORTS, EXCEPT WILD BOAR,
JACKALS, RATS, MICE, PORCUPINES, BATS, CROWS, AND
THOROUGHbred RACE HORSES UNDER SIX YEARS OF AGE AND
REGISTERED WITH THE JOCKEY CLUB OF PAKISTAN, EXCLUDING
BREED MARES, HALFBRED AND REMOUNT REJECTS, AND 71
CATAGORIES OF WILD ANIMALS SUBJECT TO QUOTA EXPORTS.
- VEGETABLES OF ALL SORTS INCLUDING DEHYDRATED VEGETABLES,
EXCLUDING DRIED METHI LEAVES, PACKED IN SMALL AIRTIGHT
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CONTAINERS OR PACKETS, DEHYDRATED ONIONS.

- . EMPTY WOODEN CRATES ASSEMBLED OR UNASSEMBLED.
- MOLASSES.
- EXERCISE BOOKS AND PAPERS ALL SORTS INCLUDING PAPER WASTE.

3. STATE TRADING AGENCY EXPORT ITEMS: I) RAW COTTON BY COTTON
EXPORT CORPORATION OF PAKISTAN, II) RICE BY RICE EXPORT
CORPORATION OF PAKISTAN, III) CEMENT BY STATE CEMENT CORPORATION

OF PAKISTAN, IV) MOVIE FILMS BY EDUCATION DIVISION, GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN, AND V) CAUSTIC SODA AND SODA ASH BY TRADING CORPORATION OF PAKISTAN.

4. EXPORT LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION ITEMS:

(A) ITEMS REQUIRING QUOTA CERTIFICATION BY EXPORT PROMOTION BUREAU:

- MILLMADE COTTON FABRICS TO USA.
- MILLMADE FABRICS TO WEST GERMANY, FRANCE, ITALY, U.K. IRELAND, DENMARK AND BENELUX COUNTRIES.
- BED LINEN OF COTTON INCLUDING TOWELS, COTTON MADE UP GOODS AND COTTON KNITWEAR TO SWEDEN.
- COTTON YARN AND COTTON GAUZE TO IRELAND.

(B) ITEMS REQUIRING QUOTA CERTIFICATION AND EXPORT PRICE CHECK BY EXPORT PROMOTION BUREAU:

- MAIZE (CORN).
- POTATOES
- ONIONS

(C) ITEMS REQUIRING EXPORT PRICE CHECK BY EXPORT PROMOTION BUREAU:

- CERTAIN SPORTS GOODS (18 CATEGORIES)
- SCISSORS AND FORCEPS OF CERTAIN SPECIFICATIONS (19 CATEGORIES)
- HANKNOTTED WOOLLEN CARPETS UP TO 96 KNOTS.
- CERTAIN ONYX VARIETIES (7) IN BLOCK OF OVER 5 TONS.
- FRESH PRAWNS AND SHRIMPS.
- COOKES AND CANNED MEAT AND BEEF.
- POULTRY IN ALL FORMS.
- EGGS OVER 56 GRAMS EACH.

(D) ITEMS REQUIRING EXPORT LICENSING BY CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS:

- IRON AND STEEL SCRAP.
- PERSONAL CARS.
- PERSONAL BAGGAGE (UNACCOMPANIED).
- GIFT PARCELS (VALUED OVER DOLS 20.00 EACH).

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KE) CERTAIN CATEGORIES (71) OF LIVE ANIMALS (48 FOR INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ZOOS, I FOR RESEARCH AND 22 FOR COMMERCIAL EXPORTS). REQUIRE QUOTA AND EXPORT LICENSING BY CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, KARACHI AND CERTIFICATION BY ZOOLOGICAL SURVEY OF PAKISTAN.

(F) ANY STUFED ANIMALS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ONLY REQUIRE EXPORT PERMISSION BY ZOOLOGICAL SURVEY OF PAKISTAN.

(G) PET ANIMALS REQUIRE CERTIFICATION BY VETERINARIAN AND EXPORT LICENSE BY CHIEF CONTROLLER OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

(H) PLANTS, PLANT PRODUCTS, FRUITS AND SEEDS REQUIRE PHOTOSANITARY CERTIFICATION BY PLANT PROTECTION DEPARTMENT.

5. EXPORT TAX ITEMS: (I) RICE - RS. 34.00 PER CWT, II) RAW COTTON OTHER THAN DESI - 25 PERCENT AD VALOREM, III) HIDES AND SKINS (A) RAW - 40 PERCENT AD VALOREM (B) SEMI-TANNED

- 20 PERCENT AD VALOREM, IV) OILCAKES - 45 PERCENT AD VALOREM,
;) MOLASSES - 30 PERCENT AD VALOREM.

6. COMMENTS: VERY FEW EXPORT ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO AN
EXPORT TAX WHICH IS LEVIED AT POINT OF EXIT. ALL EXPORT
CONTROLS ARE UNIFORMLY APPLICABLE TO ALL REGIONS AND
AREAS WITHIN THE COUNTRY. EXCEPTING QUOTAS FOR SPECIFIED
FOOD AND WILD ANIMAL EXPORTS, ALL QUOTA RESTRICTIONS ARE
IMPOSED TO MEET IMPORTER COUNTRY QUOTA REQUIREMENTS.
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